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In re Application of :
Johnson, et al. :
Application No. 10/031,156 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: January 14, 2002 :
Attorney Docket No. RCA 89645 :
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
AUTOPROGRAMMING A TELEVISION
PROGRAM

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on January 30, 2006 (certificate of mailing date January 26, 2006) to revive the above-identified application.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the final Office action mailed June 17, 2005, which set an extendable three month period for reply. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on September 18, 2005. No Notice of Abandonment was mailed.

Applicants have submitted a RCE and required fee and amendment in reply to the June 17, 2005 final Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the June 17, 2005 final Office action, and the petition fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

After the mailing of this decision the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 2622 for consideration of the RCE and amendment filed on January 30, 2006 (certificate of mailing date January 26, 2006).

Telephone inquiries pertaining to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230.

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